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Applicant(s) have become aware of the following documents, cited in an Canadian Examiner's Action issued March 14, 2006, during the prosecution of Canadian application no. 2,397,110, which corresponds to the above referenced application, and in accordance with 37 CFR 1.97(c) and (e)(1) or (b)(3), hereby submit(s) these documents for the Examiner's consideration. These documents are cited on the enclosed PTO Form SB/08, and a copy of the Examiner's Action and of each document required under 37 CFR 1.98(a)(2) cited thereon are enclosed as well.

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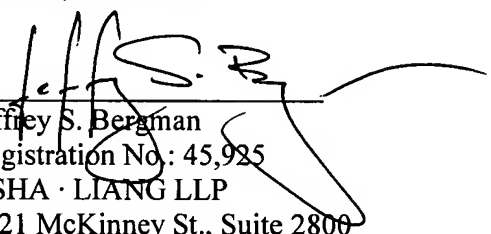
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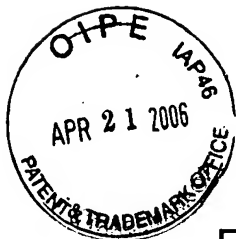
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